

THE WORLD OF SOCIETY.

How Helena People Observed the Day Set Apart For Thanksgiving and Prayer.

The Past Week a Notable One For the Number of Happy Marriages.

The Double Wedding at St. Peter's Church—Prospective Events—Personal and General Mention.

Thanksgiving has passed, and from all I can learn has been generally observed inasmuch as dyspepsia is more general and turkeys very scarce. Society, as a rule, gives thanks very sparingly, and would far rather pick a hole in their neighbor's garment than mend their own on the principle, I presume, that "To pick a hole in public" is "To honor public." However, the only things I feel sorry for at this time of the year are lean turkeys and the boarders that are served last. Several very pleasant dinners and family reunions were given in Helena on Thursday, notably a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Albert Seligman which was admirably served and consisted of fifteen courses which it took from 3 p. m. to 7 to discuss. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Jerome, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wells, Messrs. H. A. Harlow, E. W. Rich, E. D. Wood, M. A. Meyendorf, Lan Wells and S. E. Atkinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wicks entertained several of their friends, and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Knight and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. G. Flower gave family dinners which were of a necessity largely attended.

Among the many happy gatherings of the day, one was found at Ex-Governor Leslie's house. A peep through the lace curtains of his handsome residence revealed a beautiful parlor gathering, among whom were, Mr. S. Word and daughter, Miss Annie, Mr. and Mrs. Scholze, of Glendive, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnston, Miss Laila Brooke, Mr. J. S. Stoner, Mr. Win. Craig, and others.

Mr. and Mrs. Cheshman's fine residence was beautifully lighted and handsomely decorated with natural flowers. Among the persons present were Mr. and Mrs. George T. Fields, of Great Falls, Gen. and Mrs. Harris, Judge and Mrs. Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Cuthbert, Rev. Thos. Moore, Mrs. Nesbitt and daughter, Miss Clara, Mr. E. P. Nail and Mr. Deekly.

Mrs. Charles Lehman's hospitable doors were thrown open to a number of guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Hershfield had the pleasure of entertaining our lieutenant-governor, Hon. J. E. Richards and wife and Major Eaton and wife.

Mrs. D. W. Wheeler gave a dinner to a few friends.

Mr. A. K. Prescott gave a dinner, Miss Barbour, his niece, doing the honors. The dinner was followed by a pleasant whist party in the evening.

A large and highly successful entertainment was given by Mr. and Mrs. Foote.

Mr. and Mrs. Childs gave a pleasant party.

Mrs. S. J. Jones entertained a number of friends.

The well lighted and spacious parlors and dining rooms of Mrs. Jerome Norris were filled with happy guests, who enjoyed an elegant dinner and a long pleasant evening of whist and music.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Davidson gave a family dinner.

In addition to the large and appreciative audience assembled at the Union Service to listen to Dr. Kelley's most excellent Thanksgiving sermon, the floral decorations on the pulpit and the pyramid of good things at its base, so pleasing in its arrangement and blending of colors, were highly attractive features of the services.

The opera house has reaped a harvest this week, and the theater-going public an enjoyable pastime.

The A. M. E. church served a most excellent dinner to a large number of patrons.

The Hotel Broadwater furnished an excellent menu, to which several parties did ample justice. Major Martin Maginnis entertaining several of his political friends, while in an adjoining room a large assembly of political aspirants, not as yet officially recognized, had a good dinner and gave thanks for all there was in sight.

The Cotillion club was organized by several gentlemen who formed themselves into a membership committee, and whose names have been by mutual consent kept secret. But I have been requested to state that neither Mr. Geo. H. Hill, who officiates as treasurer, nor Mr. H. A. Harlow, who is honorary secretary, have anything to do with the admission of new members. This statement has been rendered necessary by numerous interrogations which Mr. Harlow in his capacity of secretary has been called upon to answer. The formation of the Cotillion club was socially a private matter, and they naturally consider that they have a perfect right to take their members where they like, and draw the line where they please.

The Encore club are steadily rehearsing Mendelssohn's beautiful arrangement of the 42d Psalm, "As the heart pants," and baring a little weakness among the tenors they already give a very acceptable rendition of this beautiful work. In the absence of Mr. F. R. Wallace Mr. Jackson has proven himself to be a most excellent director. Until Mr. Wallace returns nothing further will be done towards the proposed formation of the Dramatic club.

The "Montana Troubadours," as the new amateur minstrel organization has been styled, held its second meeting at Wm. Crouse's rooms on Wednesday night. There was a large attendance and Mr. Hill arranged a programme which will embrace the full strength of the company and should serve the purpose of giving all the comedians ample opportunity to display their talent. Mr. D. H. Montgomery and Mr. Ned Child will take the ends during the latter half of the olio, and Messrs. Teutenburg and Burns will officiate in like capacity when the curtain rises. Mr. Reed will be interlocutor. There will be a banjo quartette, consisting of Messrs. J. Baskett, Buck Dillard, F. C. Crouse and R. S. Paynter. Messrs. George and Ned Childs will give an Irish act in burnt cork; Mr. Lu Babcock will dance himself into public favor; Mr. Buck Dillard will entertain the audience with a banjo solo and original waltzes; Mr. Teutenburg will endeavor to show the members of the legislature how a stump speech should be made, while Messrs. Daise, Fortune, Prosser and others will help to make the last sketches written and revised for the occasion as humorous as burnt cork and the author's art can create them. The quartette has so far not been selected, but the initial performance will be given in January, and the first rehearsal will take place on Tuesday evening at 8 p. m. sharp, at Harmonia hall.

The Literary club will not meet on December the 2d at General Greene's house as originally arranged, and for the present the monthly meetings will be discontinued.

A new musical organization, which will embrace some of the very best known musicians and singers in amateur circles, is being formed and will doubtless prove exceedingly attractive, as it will unquestionably be very select.

A musicale was given last Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs. N. H. Webster, which proved very enjoyable. Among those present and who took part were: Col. and Mrs. Sanders, Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Willson, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Babcock, Rev. F. T. and Mrs. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Geo.

May, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Foote, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Paulsen, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Raleigh, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tracy, Dr. and Mrs. Bullard, Misses Atkinson, Leslie, Brook, Sanders, Crouse and Shiland, Rev. T. V. Moore, Messrs. Fisher, Jones, Hirschfeld, Gibbs and Leslie.

Wedding Bells Past and Prospective.

Mr. George Walker, county assessor, was quietly married on Wednesday morning to Miss Ella Frank. Since the marriage has leaked out the happy couple have been kept busy in their home on Eighth avenue receiving the congratulations of their friends.

On the night of Thanksgiving at the house of Mrs. Samuel Marsh, No. 449 Eighth avenue, Mr. Howard Little and Miss Minnie Fraser, both of this city, were united in marriage. The bride's dress was of cream colored surah silk trimmed with watered ribbons en train; basque cut V shape, veil and orange blossoms. The bridesmaid, Miss Maria Little, wore light blue surah silk trimmed with ribbons, basque cut V shape filled in with tulle. Mr. Martin F. Higgins officiated as groomsmen. A supper was provided to which some twenty invited relatives and guests sat down. The presents were valuable and very tasty, and after the reception the happy couple left on a bridal tour via the Northern Pacific railroad.

On the same evening Mr. Anthony McFadden and Miss Ida L. Deal were married at the residence of the bride's parents. The Rev. C. B. Allen officiating.

On Wednesday next a double wedding will take place at St. Peter's church at 6 p. m. Mr. Edward Womack Knight will have for best man Mr. George Hill and for groomsmen Mr. Austin Corbin, while the ushers will be Tom Knight and Clarence J. Kinna. Miss Endora Witten Flowerree, the prospective bride, will be assisted by Miss Stella Knight as bridesmaid and Miss Ella Hauser as maid of honor. Mr. William Wallace, Jr., will have the Hon. Joseph K. Toole as best man, and Mr. Willard L. Velle as groomsmen, while Messrs. Geo. H. Barbour and Frank E. Corbett, of Butte, will officiate as ushers.

Miss Elizabeth Ashby Flowerree will have Miss Annie Matilda Flowerree as bridesmaid and Miss Hebe Ashby as maid of honor. It is safe to predict that the church will be crowded to overflowing, for no more popular wedding socially has taken place in Helena for years and the dual event is naturally a great attraction.

Personal and Pertinent.

Prof. Chadbourne has returned from Butte.

Mr. Perry Irvine, of Butte, spent the early part of this week here.

Mr. E. A. Haines expects to leave for Chicago in a few weeks.

The Encore club have re-leased Encore hall for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Paulsen are in their new home on the Boulevard.

Mrs. Moses Morris is expecting her niece from Denver, to visit her soon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wells are settled in their new house on Rodney street.

Mrs. Judge Bach is gradually recovering from an attack of the scarlet fever.

Dr. Brooks and family expect to eat their Christmas dinner in their new home.

Mr. A. M. Thornburgh expects to go east shortly after Mr. F. K. Wallace returns.

Mr. Baldwin, manager of the Union Pacific, has returned to Boston with his bride.

Madam Fayette left on Friday to spend the holidays at her home in Toronto, Canada.

Mrs. Edward Zimmerman is looking for a visit from her niece who resides at Livingston.

Miss Hattie Marks leaves this morning for a visit to her cousin, Miss Carrie Jacobs, of Butte.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. C. Miller, of Deadwood, left yesterday for Chicago, thence to New York.

Senator and Mrs. Parberry, from Meagher county, are the guests of Mrs. William Davenport.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton, of White Sulphur Springs, have taken up their permanent residence here.

Helena's young ladies have the Broadwater ice in the mornings. They are fast becoming experts on runners.

Mr. M. E. Downs and bride have arrived from New York, and are the guests of Mrs. O. R. Allen, of Madison avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Wheaton leave for California next Wednesday. They will spend the winter in St. Barbara.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fant entertained a few intimate friends Thanksgiving. Those present had a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. Sneddes and Miss Dabney have taken the house formerly occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Judge Bach on Ewing street.

Miss Helen C. Clark was invited and escorted by Masters English, Kinde and Israel to her Thanksgiving dinner at the Grand Central.

On last Wednesday afternoon the ladies of the Presbyterian church met at the residence of Mrs. Potts. All were busy preparing for the parlor sale.

Messrs. James Thompson and C. W. Stebbins returned to their home in Livingston, on Wednesday and remained until Saturday, being called there to attend to the banking business in which they are engaged.

The "Hanging of the Crane" in Turner hall on last Wednesday evening was the occasion of a grand and successful ball, attended by more than 400 people, and including all the prominent German-Americans in the city.

The parlor sale to be held at the residence of Mrs. Cheshman on the 10th inst. gives great promise of interest. The ladies have prepared many beautiful things, and handsome donations from Philadelphia, Scotland and elsewhere have been received.

Charles Stabern, of Helena, owner of Sunrise Terrace, was married in Butte on Tuesday, the 26th inst. at 3 o'clock p. m. to Miss Bertha S. Dahlen, by the Baptist minister. Mr. and Mrs. Stabern have taken a residence at corner of Twelfth avenue and Hoback street.

The Thanksgiving eve entertainment given in Adams hall passed off finely. Mr. Olden's violin solo was specially well done, much better than many performances given by professionals. Miss Helen C. Clark's rendition of "Tragicome" was most heartily encored, to which she responded with Brete-Harte's "Chiquita." Mr. Cane's solo, "Marguerite," was well received. "Hagar," recited by Miss Susan Mercereus, was well rendered. The young girl has a remarkably beautiful voice. The recitations by Wells Kellogg and Kittie O'Connor elicited much applause, while Miss Reifernath's recitation was well received.

Lieutenant-Governor Richards and wife resided here on Wednesday from their home in Butte. At present they occupy rooms 21 and 52, Gates block, but will spend next week at the Broadwater. Mrs. Richards is a brunette, with a slender figure and a wealth of dark brown hair, becomingly arranged. Her eyes are a striking feature, large, dark and bright. She is a charming conversationalist. For the last seven years she has resided in Butte, where she is widely known and a great favorite, not only in social circles, but in the large Methodist congregation in which she is an active working member. She is the devoted mother of five children. Mrs. Richards was born and educated in Ontario, Canada, and is possessed of unusual linguistic and scholastic attainments; in addition she is a trained stenographer, and her husband's confidential and valued adviser. Our governor's state of single blessedness places Mrs. Richards in the position of first lady of the state. That she is a cultured lady and earnest Christian, and a devoted wife and mother, is a fortunate circumstance.

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